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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

APPLICANT : Naomi L. NAKAO
SERIAL NO. : 10/687,177
FILED : October 16, 2003
FOR : Endoscope With Open Channels
GROUP ART UNIT : 3739
EXAMINER : Matthew John Kastejna

Mail Stop Amendment

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450,
Alexandria, VA, 22313-1450

REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

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Applicant respectfully requests a three-month extension of time for filing a response to the Office Action mailed July 25, 2007, for which a three-month response period ending October 25, 2007 was set. The extended deadline is January 25, 2008.

A check in the amount of One-Thousand-One-Hundred-and-Ten Dollars (\$1,110.00) enclosed herewith includes the Five-Hundred-and-Twenty-Five Dollar (\$525) fee for a three-

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month extension for a small entity. Small Entity status has previously been claimed in the application.

The enclosed check also includes Four-Hundred-and-Five Dollars in payment of the small entity fee for continued examination and One-Hundred-and-Eighty Dollars (\$180) in payment of the fee for the late submission of an Information Disclosure Statement.

An Amendment, a Request for Continued Examination transmittal, Citation Form 1449 and one (1) Drawing Sheet are enclosed herewith.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge any additional fees due in connection with this communication, and to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 04-0838. A copy of this Request is enclosed for deposit account charging purposes.

Respectfully submitted,

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